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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

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SUBJ: DISTURBANCES IN LOURENCO MARQUES

1. ACCORDING TO REPORTER FROM RADIO CLUBE DE MOCAMBIQUE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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(RCM), SMALL GROUPS OF VANDALS, BOTH BLACK AND WHITE,

SOME CARRYING FRELIMO FLAGS, BROKE WINDOWS OF COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS AND DAMAGED CARS IN INDUSTRIAL AREA OF LOURENCO MARQUES DURING MORNING OF SEPTEMBER 6. REPORTEDLY, TRUCKS AND CARS COMING INTO TOWN WERE STOPPED AND BLACKS ASKED TO ATTEND THE RALLY. WHITES WERE ALLOWED TO PROCEED TO TOWN. FOLLOWING NES OF DISTRUBANCES, MANY STORES AND OFFICES CLOSED DOWN FOR DAY.

2. RCM CONTACTED FRELIMO REPRESENTATIVES IN LUSAKA AND AT PRO-FRELIMO RALLY IN MACHAVA STADIUM IN LOURENCO MARQUES, BOTH OF WHOM DENIED FRELIMO MEMBER INVOLVEMENT AND ATTRIBUTED ACTS TO REACTIONARIES. FRELIMO MEMBER AT MACHAVA STADIUM URGED POPULATION TO BE CALM AND NOT TO REACT TO "PROVOCATIONS." RALLY ENDED AROUND 4 PM AND WILL RESUME TOMORROW AT 9 AM. RCM BROADCAST ANNOUNCED RALLIES WILL CONTINUE AT MACHAVA UNTIL LUSAKA ACCORD REACHED.

3. RCM REPORTER SAID MILITARY AND POLICE AUTHORITIES ARE LOOKING FOR GROUP RESPONSIBLE FOR ACTS. WHOLE CENTRAL PART OF LOURENCO MARQUES APPEARS CALM. WALKER

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